

## CURRENT PSC COMMISSIONERS

### KELVIN L. SIMMONS

#### *Chairman*

Governor Mel Carnahan appointed Commissioner Kelvin L. Simmons to the PSC on May 5, 2000. In July 2001, Governor Bob Holden named Simmons Chairman of the PSC.

Prior to his appointment to the PSC, Simmons was a member of the Kansas City Council. He represented more than 72,000 constituents in Kansas City's 5th Council District.

Chairman Simmons also worked as a senior staff member to the late Governor Mel Carnahan, serving as the Director for Constituent Services from 1993 until 1996. In addition, Chairman Simmons was the State Director for Equal Employment Opportunity in the Office of Administration.

In addition to his Commission duties, Chairman Simmons serves as Secretary of the Missouri Universal Service Board and is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Commissioners (NARUC) where he currently serves on the Electricity Committee. Simmons also serves on the NARUC Committee for International Relations.

Mr. Simmons has two baccalaureate degrees in Communications and Interdisciplinary Studies from University of Missouri-Columbia obtained in 1986 and an Executive Masters in Business Administration from the University of Missouri-Kansas City in 1999. Commissioner Simmons has also studied internationally in Sweden, Finland, South Africa, Hong Kong and Beijing, China.

Mr. Simmons' term expires on April 15, 2005.



### SHEILA LUMPE

#### *Commissioner*

Sheila Lumpe was appointed to the PSC on June 5, 1997, by Governor Mel Carnahan. In August of 1997, she was named Chair of the Commission and served in that capacity until July 2001.

Prior to her appointment, Lumpe was chair of the House Budget Committee of the Missouri House of Representatives. A nine term state representative, Ms. Lumpe represented St. Louis County in the Missouri House since first elected in 1980. In addition to chair of the House Budget Committee, Ms. Lumpe also served on a number of Legislative committees including the Utilities Regulation Committee. Prior to the Legislature, Commissioner Lumpe served eight years on the University City School Board.

Lumpe is Vice Chair of the Water Policy Roundtable of the PSC. She also serves on the Board of the Missouri Humanities Council, the Gas Committee of NARUC, and on the Advisory Board of the Public Utility Division/Financial Research Institute, University of Missouri.

Lumpe graduated summa cum laude with a baccalaureate degree in government from Indiana University in 1957 and received a master's degree in political science from the University of Missouri-St. Louis in 1989.

Commissioner Lumpe's term expires on April 15, 2003.



## CONNIE MURRAY

### *Commissioner*

Commissioner Connie Murray was appointed to a six-year term to the PSC by Governor Mel Carnahan in May, 1997.

Commissioner Murray served as Representative of the 135th legislative district in the Missouri House of Representatives from 1991 through 1996. She was appointed House Manager of Articles of Impeachment of Missouri Secretary of State before the Missouri Supreme Court in 1994. She served on several committees, including Budget and Judiciary & Ethics. She was treasurer of Women Legislators of Missouri and a member of various national legislative organizations.

Since her appointment to the PSC, Commissioner Murray has participated in a number of state and national utility regulatory organizations. She is a member of the NARUC Committee on Water and has served on a working group of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council. She has also participated in various PSC Roundtables. She serves on the Advisory Board of the Public Utility Division/Financial Research Institute, University of Missouri and the Advisory Council for the Center for Public Utilities, New Mexico State University.

Commissioner Murray earned her bachelor of arts degree in English literature from Loyola College in Baltimore, Maryland, where she graduated cum laude in 1975, and a juris doctorate in 1980 from the University of Maryland School of Law where she was Notes and Comments Editor of the Law Review.

Commissioner Murray's term expires in May of 2003.



## STEVE GAW

### *Commissioner*

Commissioner Steve Gaw was appointed to the Missouri Public Service Commission on March 2, 2001, by Governor Bob Holden. Following Senate confirmation, Gaw began serving on the Commission on April 2, 2001.

Prior to his appointment, Commissioner Gaw was Speaker of the Missouri House and served as a State Representative of the 22<sup>nd</sup> District representing Randolph County as well as parts of the Missouri counties of Howard, Chariton and Boone. Gaw was first elected to the Missouri House in 1992, became Speaker in 1996 and served until January 2001.

While House Speaker, Gaw was instrumental in bringing new technology to the chamber, as the Missouri House became the first state legislative body to broadcast their proceedings live over the Internet.

As a legislator and as Speaker, Gaw was a leader on education issues requiring greater accountability in schools and more emphasis on the basics, particularly reading, in the early grades. His work on education earned him several awards including the prestigious Geyer Award, the Horace Mann Friend of Education for Legislation Award and the Distinguished Legislator Award from the Missouri Community College Association.

Commissioner Gaw graduated summa cum laude in 1978 from Truman State University with a bachelor's degree in physics. He earned a law degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1981. Gaw served as Moberly city prosecutor and practiced law in Moberly with the firm of Schirmer, Suter, & Gaw.

Commissioner Gaw's term expires on January 4, 2007.



*Commissioner*

Prior to his appointment, Forbis served as deputy director for Institutional Services in the Missouri Division of Aging (which recently merged into the state health department to become the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services). In that position, he supervised over 300 employees responsible for monitoring and enforcing state and federal regulations in 1,250 nursing and residential care facilities. From 1995 until 1999, Mr. Forbis was special assistant to the director in the Missouri Division of Aging/Department of Social Services. He is a 20-year veteran of state government.

Commissioner Forbis' term expires on April 15, 2007.



*Commissioner*

Vice Chair Drainer resigned on May 3, 2001.



*Commissioner*

Commissioner Schemenauer retired from the PSC on March 31, 2001.

